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1. IN MEETING WITH FONDEPT DIRGEN FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS

DJAJADININGRAT AUGUST 24 (REF A), I RAISED SUBJECT OF

TACTICS ON KHMER CREDENTIALS ISSUE AT UNGA, INQUIRING

INTO STATE OF PLAY OF ASEAN CONSULTATIONS AND GOI THOUGHTS

ON MATTER. (I SAW DIRGEN AT MALIK'S SUGGESTION.)

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DJAJADININGRAT STATED CONSIDERATION HAD BEEN GIVEN TO

THREE TACTICS; A) TAKING POSITION THAT UN HAD NO RIGHT TO DISCUSS QUESTION; B) CALL FOR A CEASEFIRE, AND C) FACT-FINDING COMMISSION, AND GOI HAD DECIDED ONLY THIRD HAD ANY CHANCE OF SUCCESS. ONE IMPORTANT ADVANTAGE IN CALLING FOR FACT-FINDING COMMISSION IS THAT THIS CAN BE SUBMITTED AS AMENDMENT TO OLD RESOLUTION, THUS OBTAINING PRIORITY ON AGENDA.

2. DJAJADININGRAT STATED THAT INDONESIA IS IN PROCESS OF CONSULTING WITH ASEAN BRETHREN, ALL OF WHOM--WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF SINGAPORE WHICH OCCASIONALLY ACTS LIKE "MAVERIC"--ARE COMMITTED TO FIRM SUPPORT OF GKR. DJAJADININGRAT ADDED INDONESIA WILL TACKLE SINGAPORE AGAIN DURING FORTHCOMING VISIT THERE BY PRESIDENT SUHARTO (AUGUST 29.) OUTSIDE OF ASEAN SPHERE JAPAN IS VERY FORTHCOMING, BUT AUSTRALIA HAS SAID IT WILL ONLY SUPPORT GKR ON A SUBSTANTIVE VOTE, BUT WILL NOT SPONSOR RESOLUTION NOR LOBBY FOR IT AT UN OR ELSEWHERE.

3. WHEN I MENTIONED OUR DOUBTS ABOUT WISDOM RAISING GKR QUESTION IN MEETING OF NON-ALIGNEDS IN NEW YORK PRIOR TO UNGA (REFS B AND C), DJAJADININGRAT MADE FACE AND SAID THIS MUST HAVE BEEN FONMIN'S IDEA. HE, DJAJADININGRAT, REALIZES DANGERS OF THIS COURSE, WANTS TO KEEP MATTER OUT OF NAC CHANNELS, AND WILL SO RECOMMEND TO MALIK. DJAJADININGRAT SAID HE AND MALIK LEAVING FOR NEW YORK--WITH STOPOVER IN HONG KONG--ON SEPTEMBER 13 IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETING OF NAC MINISTERS BEFORE UNGA. (I FEAR IT UNLIKELY THAT, IF MALIK ATTENDS SUCH MEETING, SUBJECT OF INDONESIA'S AND ASEAN'S SUPPORT OF GJR CAN BE KEPT OUT OF THESE DISCUSSIONS ALTHOUGH I AM SURE MALIK WILL DO WHAT HE CAN TO PRESERVE HIS FREEDOM OF ACTION IN UNGA.)

4. TURNING TO SPECIFICS OF POSSIBLE CALL FOR FACT-FINDING COMMISSION, I ASKED DJAJADININGRAT WHO WAS LIKELY SPONSOR. HE REPLIED THIS STILL UNDER DISCUSSION BUT INDONESIA FEELS THERE MERIT IN GETTING NON-ASEAN

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COUNTRY TO TAKE LEAD, WITH PERHAPS ASEAN NATIONS COMING IN AS CO-SPONSORS. HE SUGGESTED FRIENDLY SOUTHAMERICAN COUNTRY SUCH AS COLUMBIA, WHERE THOUGH VUTTHI (UN-EXPERIENCED FORMER GKR AMBASSADOR TO INDONESIA) IS POSTED, MIGHT BE WILLING. I NOTED THAT INDONESIAN DELEGATION (SANI) HAD REPORTEDLY SUGGESTED COMMISSION MIGHT BE MADE UP OF YUGOSLAVIA, ALGERIA AND SENEGAL AND THAT WE DOUBTED THIS REPRESENTED BALANCED GROUP. DJAJADININGRAT

REPLIED HE HAD NOT HEARD OF THIS SUGGESTION WHICH HE
CONSIDERED "LOPSIDED."

5. IN CLOSING, DJAJADININGRAT SAID HE WELCOMES CONTINUING
CONSULTATIONS, NOTING INDONESIA LOOKS TO STRONGUS
SUPPORT THIS EFFORT.
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